

## RETIREMENT OF DELCASSE WILL REMAIN PUZZLE

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### CONSCRIPTION MAY BE REMEDY

LONDON, Eng., Nov. 12.—The days of grace granted for the purpose of making an ultimate test of the process of recruiting are rapidly passing and the result is no longer in doubt—it is absolutely impossible to find in the United Kingdom the enormous number of men needed to satisfy the demands of Lord Kitchener in this manner.

No one thinks of blaming Lord Derby for his failure, for although he was quoted as saying, before he took up his new duties, that he was well aware he had been appointed general manager of a bankrupt concern, he has made strenuous efforts to accomplish what the antagonists of conscription expected of him.

**Persuasion Fails.**  
His army of canvassers has gone through the entire kingdom, they have most conscientiously followed the instructions, which ordered them to use the strongest kind of persuasion without resorting to bullying, but the number of recruits they have gathered falls far below even modest expectations.

As a matter of fact, anyone who has seen how swiftly all young men sauntering up and down the streets of London disappear the moment they hear the strains of a recruiting band approaching, and how studiously they avoid going near Nelson monument in Trafalgar Square and other places where recruiting speeches are made by soldiers home on leave from the front, must have known beforehand that all the young men here who had any intention of exposing their lives to German bullets were already in khaki.

Still, official statistics are absolutely no doubt that far more than the number of young men required at present are here. But they will not defend their country unless they are compelled to do so.

**How to National Pride.**  
Naturally this is a very bitter pill for British national pride to swallow, and it is not surprising that a more flattering explanation is sought for a suitable scapegoat has been quickly found in the press censorship, which stands accused from all sides of having willfully fostered a spirit of optimism which caused the remaining millions of men of military age to believe that they could not be wanted, as things were evidently going very well.

This explanation, however, does not place the intelligence of the average Englishman in a very flattering light, but one must suppose that the English would rather be under the suspicion of being dull than of lacking in courage.

It may now be considered almost settled that we are to have conscription in some form unless a timely Zeppelin happens to drop a bomb on Whitehall. At present, however, the government is causing a general outburst of indignation and rush to the recruiting office.

**Lloyd George Does Better.**  
Lloyd George, on the other hand, has been far more successful in his waywardness to raise the required number of munition workers and the only difficulty he has had to contend with has been local friction with labor unions.

The number of munition workers now exceeds 1,000,000. Undoubtedly the navy also has to a great extent the activity of this immense army of workers.

The home fleet, which without striking a single blow has won the war, means the work of hundreds of thousands of men to keep it in a constant state of the highest efficiency.

The supply of munitions for the British armies is now such that the country are now busy night and day turning out rifles, machine guns, shells, hand grenades and airplanes.

**Effect of War Keenly Felt.**  
The effects of the war are beginning to be felt very keenly and it is to be expected when the new income tax comes into operation. The price of practically all commodities has gone up and it may be safely estimated that it costs about 40 percent more to live in London than it did 12 months ago. It is poor consolation to be told that the people in Berlin and Vienna are much worse off.

**English Woman Denounces Kaiser In Cafe; Is Given a Jail Term Of Eight Months**

Vienna, Austria, Nov. 12.—Miss Ida Blackmore, an English governess, has been sentenced to eight months imprisonment at hard labor by a court martial of the local laws for denouncing the Kaiser.

She was arrested three weeks ago for disorderly conduct. She created a scene in a public restaurant by calling the German emperor a "vile bloodhound" and expressing the hope that the "central powers" would be completely destroyed. Before the police could take her in charge she was almost lynched.

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### CUBAN MONEY NOW ON PAR WITH U. S.

HAVANA, Cuba, Nov. 12.—For the first time in years Cuba is free of the annoyance and confusion resulting from the general circulation of various kinds of foreign money. On November 1 there went into effect president Menocal's decree declaring the circulation of any but American and Cuban money to be illegal.

When the United States undertook the occupation of Cuba, American money was declared to be the official currency, but together with this a vast quantity of Spanish gold and silver and some French gold remained in circulation, varying in value in comparison to official money day to day.

**U. S. Money Predominates.**  
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Recently a large volume of Cuban silver and gold has been placed in circulation on par with American currency, and by the president's decree, this has been the only currency recognized in Cuba. This will remove a constant source of irritation to tourists who have heretofore had to deal with half a dozen kinds of currency.

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**Neutrality Sinful Says Bishop Ingram to Ambulance Corps**

LONDON, Eng., Nov. 12.—Bishop Ingram of London has been giving his views on neutrality to the members of the British ambulance committee who were being presented with a new motor ambulance wagon for service for the French army in the presence of the mayor and others at the Hackney town hall.

The bishop expressed his sorrow for those countries that still remained neutral. "I look upon neutrality almost as a sin," he said, "in view of what Germany has done in Belgium and parts of France."

**Would Not Use State Apartments.**  
As minister of foreign affairs, Delcasse had at his disposal the splendid private apartments at the Quai d'Orsay always set aside for the head of the office. But he was a foreign minister who never made use of them.

The quarters include handsome salons, private dining rooms, bed chambers, etc., with an outlook on the spacious gardens of the establishment. But Delcasse has always preferred to occupy a modest apartment on the avenue de Clugny. The avenue de Clugny is the main thoroughfare of Montmartre, the center of Bohemian life, and a sort of "Parisian island" and Midway Plaisance rolled together. The Delcasse quarters were in the heart of the district.

**Turkish Prince Says He Detests the War**

PARIS, France, Nov. 12.—There is a Turkish prince living in Paris, and not only is he left unmolested by the authorities as well as by the people, but he is actually popular at a time when Frenchmen and Turks have been busy killing one another for months in the Gallipoli peninsula. This man and his family are old Turks of the purple water, driven from home by Enver Pasha and his German friends. He is here incognito. It is not permitted that his name be given.

He detests the war. He cannot bear talking about it and long ago he ceased to read the Paris newspapers, which contain little but war news. It is not the miseries and horrors of the war which deter him, but it does not interest him. That men kill one another when they have a quarrel appears to him a most natural thing, but to read about it bores him.

I called on him and knowing his opinion about war I was rather surprised when his first question was about the prospects of Turkey. I answered rather evasively and when he asked me why I beat about the bush I told him plainly that I did not want to hurt his feelings by telling him that his mother country was doomed in my opinion.

He laughed heartily. "Mother country?" he exclaimed. "Turkey is nobody's 'patrie' as you understand the word. Turkey is a big house in which many families are living, continually quarrelling and utterly unable to maintain peace. For this reason the house must have a concierge with a firm hand, but whether this concierge be a Turk, a Russian, a Greek, or a Jew does not really matter. The one who has got control of the house naturally hates to give it up just as the Turks do now. I have only one wish, that they may soon force the Dardanelles and capture Constantinople, that we may see an end of all this."

## WAR THINS BRITISH NOBILITY RANKS

War thins the ranks of the English nobility. The pictures above show some of the young men who have fallen in defence of the mother country. They are (left to right, above), Lord Compton, Lord Guernsey and Lord Ninian Crichton-Stuart; (below) viscount Northland and viscount Hawarden.

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**Butterflies of Paris Found Working Hard in Munition Plants.**  
ALL FRANCE BUSY SUPPLYING TROOPS

BY LA RACONTEUSE.  
PARIS, France, Nov. 12.—Where are all the professional beauties you used to see at Maxim's, l'Abbaye and elsewhere? The question is easily answered. They have gone to war. Patiently they are making ammunition, many thousands of them.

More than once I have seen some of them in the great munition factories. One manager told me he had about a thousand of them there and that it was a pity that they were so young and beautiful. "After all, the real war in France is fought behind the front. There it is a matter of life and death. Very few soldiers are killed in little things which call for the rarest form of courage and patience. This persistent, enduring will which does not dream of glorious victories and rewards, but which has only one desire—to endure. It does its duty, it offends itself, it becomes a mere wheel in an immense machine and asks for neither crosses nor medals, but merely for work."

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